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SUBJECT: SUPPLIES AND PARTS FOR SY VEHICLES

REF: 1) LA PAZ 6439

2) LA PAZ 6414

3) STATE 010380

FOR RSO FROM SY/FO

1. OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU HAVE ONE FULLY ARMORED 71 IMPALA 164691C183160 (INV 159002) AND TWO PARTIALLY ARMORED CHEV BISCAYNE POLICE FOLLOW CARS. APPARENTLY YOU ARE USING ONE FOLLOW CAR, INV 159102, FOR THE DCM. YOUR POST IS NOT SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE A REPLACEMENT OF ANY OF THESE CARS FROM FY-74 PURCHASES. YOUR POST IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE A FOLLOW CAR, IF FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE OUT OF FY-76 APPROPRIATIONS. SY/FO IS BUDGETED TO SUPPORT YOU IN MAINTENANCE OF YOUR FULLY ARMORED COM CAR ONLY. WE CANNOT HELP YOU WITH EITHER OF THE FOLLOW CARS. DETAILS CONCERNING THIS ARE STILL AS OUTLINED IN STATE'S 010380.

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2. AS YOU NOTE IN YOUR 6414, A CONTRACT WAS FINALLY COMPLETED WITH AN AUTO PARTS COMPANY TO SUPPLY PARTS FOR THE FULLY ARMORED COM VEHICLE. IN ADDITION, A COMPLETE

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KIT OF PARTS FOR ONE 71 IMPALA WILL BE STOCKPILED AT THE RTC PANAMA, AND ONE COMPLETE KIT WILL BE STOCKPILED AT SY/FO IN WASHINGTON. EVENTUALLY, SEABEE MECHANICS WILL BE SENT TO THE RTC PANAMA TO ASSIST REGULARLY IN THIS PROJECT. HOWEVER, NEITHER PARTS NOR MECHANICS HAVE ARRIVED YET. WE CAN ONLY ASSUME THE PARTS WILL BE ARRIVING WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO BREAK LOOSE ONE OF THE THREE QUALIFIED MECHANICS AVAILABLE HERE TO ASSIST, IF NEEDED, WHEN THE PARTS DO ARRIVE. IN THE MEANTIME, DO THE BEST YOU CAN WITH WHAT YOU HAVE.

3. WE APPRECIATE YOUR PROBLEM. IT IS THE SAME PROBLEM 17 (SOON TO BE 32) OTHER POSTS WITH THESE TYPE OF CARS ARE HAVING. WE ARE MOVING AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO ASSIST YOU WITH IT. INGERSOLL

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